

HOUSE BILL NO. 1513

Introduced by

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Senators Bekkedahl, Sorvaag

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact subsection 5 of section 16.1-03-07 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to district party organization; to amend and reenact section 16.1-03-17
3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to political party reorganization after redistricting;
4 and to provide an effective date.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1.** Subsection 5 of section 16.1-03-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 created and enacted as follows:

8 5. After redistricting of the legislative assembly becomes effective, the state party chair
9 may appoint a temporary district party organization chair in any newly established
10 district that lacks a district committee able to carry out the responsibilities of this
11 chapter. The temporary district party organization chair shall organize the district
12 political party as closely as possible in conformance with this chapter to assure
13 compliance with primary election filing deadlines.

14 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-03-17 of the North Dakota Century Code is
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16 **16.1-03-17. Political party reorganization after redistricting.**

17 If redistricting of the legislative assembly becomes effective after the organization of political
18 parties as provided in this chapter and before the primary or the general election, the political
19 parties, ~~in the newly established precincts and each of the following~~ districts, shall ~~proceed-~~
20 ~~to~~ organize or reorganize as closely as possible in conformance with this chapter to assure
21 compliance with primary election filing deadlines:

22 1. A district that does not share any geographical area with the pre-redistricting district
23 having the same number.

- 1 2. A district with new geographic area that was not in that district for the 2020 election
2 and which new geographic area has a 2020 population that is more than twenty-five
3 percent of the ~~ideal-district population~~district's population as determined in the 2020
4 federal decennial census.

5 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act becomes effective upon its filing with the
6 secretary of state.